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HUNTING.

LORD STAMFORD'S LAST DAY.

FRIDAY, the 27th ultimo, was the last day of these hounds. The appointment was at Garden Park, at half-past eleven. Croxton Park being, on the same day, that circumstance was favourable, affording the hounds the chance of not being so overriden by those "ardent young sportsmen," who are, generally speaking, of the racing order, and generally more engaged in riding against each other than looking at the hounds.

The ground was unusually dry; there was little expectation of sport, but the wind, which was directed towards the north, was keen, and there was no bright sun to complain of.

It was anticipated that it was to be quite a day for the ladies, of whom there was a "numerous and sweet array;" equestrian, pedestrian, and vehicular—the latter comprising landau, wagonette, basket, and all the modern open carriages in which the fair delight to take the air.

Scarcely had the hounds finished drawing the reeds, ere the joyous "Dally-bo" proclaimed a "find." "Be careful of a vixen," exclaimed Mr. Phillips de Lisle. "It is no vixen, sir," answered the veteran Tom Day, well mounted on his little grey.

Soon was it abundantly confirmed that a gallant old dog fox, of no ordinary powers, had been aroused from his lair; and he shot away at a slashing rate direct for Charnwood, where he was followed by the hounds. The pack was in the lead, followed by the hounds, and the old rook and over the brook by Grooby Lake, his point apparently for Enderby. Changing his route (for what reason did not appear), he then more abruptly to the left, as if considering the Forest his safest quarters. The fellows here were both dry and stony, and when, fortunately, the quick eye of a capital sportsman and stoatman (for Mr. Preserver (resident on Charnwood) caught a view. His hat up, and a single "holloa" given, the hounds were promptly led by the sound of Lord Stamford's cheery horn to the spot, and once more on the line of their fox through the sand-hills, Bradgate Park, up to Switland, where, after a run of two hours and twenty minutes, he was run into close to the brook, in whose limpid stream the pack now enjoyed some well-earned quenching, quaffing, and ablutions, refreshing themselves right jollily. Altogether the scene was extremely exhilarating and picturesque—one to which it required such painters as Rembrandt or Gipsin to do justice.

It was a very satisfactory finish of the season—as good a hunting run as need be desired. Occasionally the scent that most unaccountable of unaccountable things) was such that the hounds carried a fine head of the pack, and at other times, down wind, the ground bare and hard, all were accommodated.

At the suggestion of Mr. Heygate, M.P., three cheers were given for the noble master, with a cordiality which made the welkin ring, and another cheer was added for Broadwell, the huntsman, who had, on that day, most ably done his work arid successfully.

Mr. Clowes afterwards, in very appropriate terms, thanked Lord Stamford for the munificent and noble manner in which he had hunted the country for the last seven seasons, and the excellent sport he had afforded; which was gratefully acknowledged by his lordship.

These sentiments, so briefly but properly expressed by Mr. Clowes, are gratefully echoed by all who have had an opportunity of witnessing how well he has done his duty, and how deeply they are entertained towards his lordship. There has never been a master of hounds in Leicestershire more popular than Lord Stamford, and there is every reason to believe he would have continued to hunt the country but for a feeling of annoyance or disappointment with certain nameless owners of covert who had promised him to preserve foxes but had failed therein. In such cases it is idle to throw the blame on keepers. Where good holding covert, after reasonable intervals, comes blank, the only result (as the case of the singularity of the owners of Charnwood and the Lissis) is the loss of the sport.

Mr. Clowes has in the handsomest manner come forward to hunt the country, in succession to Lord Stamford. He has purchased his lordship's splendid pack of hounds, and their establishment will be continued at Quorn. He is now engaged making the requisite arrangements. He takes a very moderate subscription, which he deduces from the liberal new law, and with the sum of £200. The undertaking is an onerous and responsible one, but it is allowed that few gentlemen could bring to bear more sterling qualifications for that undertaking than Mr. Clowes. May he meet with that support which both he and the country generally are entitled to look for.—*Notes Daily Guardian.*

THE QUORN HUNT.

THERE is a good old maxim, "Honour to whom honour is due," and I have no doubt all those who have hunted with the Quorn for the last seven years will agree with me that no one better deserves a testimonial than Lord Stamford. I feel certain that this question has only to be started, as there has been but one opinion. His lordship's efficient and generous conduct, his splendid and untiring efforts, his constant endeavour to show sport (often under great difficulties, owing to the eagerness of a large field), and his courteous behaviour to all, are certainly reasons to ensure the respect of all foxhunters. I do not wish to take the lead in this matter, as I do not belong to the Quorn Hunt, and have only hunted occasionally with them; but I trouble you with this suggestion, hoping that some one or more of those gentlemen who are interested in the subscription list I opened I will add my name for £5. In the meantime I must sign myself, A. NORTH FOXHUNTER.—*Notes Daily Guardian.*

EXTRA AQUATOS.

CHAMBERS AND EVERSON.

CONTINUED accounts from the training quarters of both these celebrities indicate that there will be a glorious struggle for the championship of the Thames between the above-named performers. Both Harry Clasper and Winship—such is the importance of the present match—came to town to protect the interests of the north countryman; and that he is well, and in excellent spirits, we have excellent proof. His boats are two; the first 32 ft 4 in., and the second 34 ft 3 in. The well-knowned Greenway champion still pays his calls at his friend Mr. Parkhouse's house, and is in hourly attendance with him. Every acquaintance of his friend will well know how to draw the line in this match, as the arrival of Green, the Australian, boat in this country has occasioned Everson to fashion his somewhat after the same mode of construction. The north countryman is the favourite. The next instalment is to be made at Mr. Wilcox's, the White Hart, Barnes, on Thursday next.

AQUATOS IN AUSTRALIA.

THE second annual regatta in connection with the Ballarat and Burramurr Regatta Club came off recently on Lake Burramurr, where the lovers of aquatic sports and healthy recreation were afforded a capital treat, and richly enjoyed themselves during the day. Last season the water did not appear to be very good, and the boat house, but this season it flowed up to the very door, caused no doubt by the wind blowing from the opposite direction, combined with the circumstance that the lake has a larger supply of water than in the season this year. Away towards Picnic Point the waves broke, and some violence on the shore, their white crests being visible at a considerable distance. A beautiful expanse of water is Lake Burramurr, and therefore it will be wondered if the persons in its locality, and the people of Ballarat, Smythesdale, Creswick, Olmest, and Campham, should pay a visit for recreative purposes on such an occasion as this. The attendance was computed at 1500 persons, which no doubt would have been much larger

except for the untoward circumstance of the municipal contest in Ballarat West which deprived some hundreds of the means of conveyance to the lake, owing to the aspirants for municipal honors having impressed numerous vehicles into their service. Under these circumstances it is not to be wondered at if the majority of the persons present were from the country districts, about Ballarat furnishes its contingent, and the River Crook was largely represented.

The races generally were better contested than they were last season, and the arrangements were of such a nature as to induce the belief that the club had been in some pains at making "all right." A jolly was run out some 80 yards into the water, the boats were thoroughly overhauled a few days previous, and the manner in which the business was conducted was a great improvement on the previous year. The competitors were started by the aid of a pistol, and the conclusion of a race was in like manner announced. The pair oar race for the silver cups fell to the lot of Messrs. Williams and Goughly, and Mr. R. McLaren carried off the first prize for the waterman's race. Edwards, from Melbourne, who pulled for this event, did not appear in the best of health, and certainly did not row as well as he had last year. The third event was the scull race for a pair of silver cups, presented by Mr. McLaren. These were appropriated by Williams, beating six others. During the time that the Messrs. Haig were pulling one of their oars broke and they lost all chance of the race. Atkinson sprained his wrist when rowing for the waterman's race, and gave up the contest. Mr. Cummins lost an oar when rowing the deciding heat for the silver cups, and lost all chance of the race. The fourth event was a great improvement on the previous year, when the events already mentioned had been decided. Mr. Clissold acted as judge, Mr. McLaren as starter and manager, and Messrs. Davidson, H. Goughly, and Moore, as stewards.

The following are the events—
AMATEURS' PAIR-OAR RACE for two silver cups valued twenty guineas; twice round the course, distance, two miles.

First heat: Davidson and Cummins (coxswain, Moore), red and white; J. and W. Haig (coxswain, Duncan, Isard). On the pistol going off Davidson and Cummins shot to the front and kept the lead round the buoy, with the Messrs. Haig close upon them. On racing to the starting point one of the oars belonging to the latter broke, and they pulled on shore for a fresh one, but before they were again under weigh their competitors were nearly round the course, and won easily.

Second heat: Williams and Goughly (coxswain, Edwards), blue and white; Moore and Doyle (coxswain, Davidson), green. Williams and Goughly took the start at the lead, which they kept until rounding the buoy, when their opponents went to the front, but fell back after some time. The science displayed by Edwards in steering the boat was the subject of general comment, so evenly did he take it through the waters. At the starting point, when rounding the flag, Messrs. Doyle and Moore lost two boat's length by taking too much berth. In a short time, however, they made up their lost ground, and a well contested race home ended in favour of Williams and Goughly, who won by about a boat's length.

Deciding heat: Williams and Goughly, 1; Davidson and Cummins, 2; Davidson and Moore took the lead, but were soon overhauled, and a fine race ensued, each boat's crew settling down to work, and pulling oar for oar. On going past the judge's post both boats were close together, with Williams and Goughly in front. On rounding the buoy their opponents were within half a boat's length of them, and on coming home a most exciting race took place, and ended in favour of Williams and Goughly, winning by about half a boat's length; time, 15 min 4 sec.

WATERMAN'S RACE for two silver cups, twice round the course.

Fourth, 43. Price round the course.
First heat: R. McLaren (red), 1; B. Oxlade (blue); 2; C. Bromley (yellow), 3. Oxlade appeared to be the favourite for this race. McLaren took the lead at starting, which he kept for some time. The stern two pulled oar for our until Oxlade at last shook off Bromley and followed in McLaren's wake. Bromley now put on steam, and shot to the front; but the work was telling upon him, and he again fell back to the place he occupied when starting. Oxlade, who was maintained to the starting post, which was first rounded by McLaren, with Oxlade second; Bromley now fell behind, and shortly after pulled up and saved himself for the second heat. McLaren still kept two boat's length ahead of Oxlade, was never caught, and won with ease. Time, 16 min 44 sec.

Second heat: J. Edwards (green); C. Bromley (yellow); T. Atkinson (white). Atkinson went away with the lead, but in a short time Edwards went to the front, and was first round the buoy, with Atkinson second. This order was maintained until nearing the starting point, when Atkinson strained his left wrist, and caved in, and Bromley now put on steam, and overhauled Edwards, keeping the lead for some time, but when nearing the winning point Edwards put on a spurt, and the race ended in dead heat. Time, 16 min 45 sec.

Deciding heat: R. McLaren, 1; B. Oxlade, 2; J. Edwards, 3; C. Bromley, 4. Edwards took the lead on the pistol going off, but McLaren soon went to the front, with Oxlade in his wake, and the other two pulling scull for scull. McLaren rounded the buoy first, Oxlade second, and Edwards third. The latter now showed some scientific sculling, and shot straight as an arrow for the starting post, while the others hugged the shore. McLaren, however, got round first, Bromley second, and Oxlade third, Edwards being last, but so close were the three that the boats came in contact with each other, and afforded McLaren a fine opportunity of slipping away, who again cleared the buoy first, Oxlade second, and Bromley third, and in a short time they passed the judge's post after a close race for third place between Bromley and Edwards, the latter winning third money by about half a boat's length.

THIRD EVER—Members of the Club, in Scullers' Boats, for a pair of silver cups. (Presented by R. McLaren, Esq.) Once round the course.

First Heat: Williams (blue and white), 1; Blackwell (scarlet), 2; Davidson (red), 3. Williams took the lead, but shortly after gave place to Blackwell; Williams, however, laid himself out for the work, took first place, and was never caught, Blackwell being second.

Second heat: Goughly (blue), 1; Moore (green), 2; Cummins (red and white), 3. Goughly took the lead with the other two close on his stern. On coming home Cummins lost an oar, and succumbed to bad fortune; Moore was a good second.
Deciding heat: Williams, 1; Blackwell, 2; Goughly, 3; Moore, 4. Williams took the start, and was passed by Goughly, who went to the front. Moore now cried "Enough!" and succumbed to hard fortune, and the race lay between the others. Goughly and Blackwell fouled when going round the buoy, after which the latter took first place. Williams now put on steam, passed both Goughly and Blackwell, and showed in front, was never caught, and won by about a boat and a half length. Blackwell being second.

It was now six o'clock, and the boats were brought to a conclusion by pulling down the props, flags, and hauling in the boats. In a few minutes the roads were crowded with cabs, cars, and horsemen anxious to reach their respective homes after a pleasant day's sport.

HOLZOWA'S CUREMENT AND PILLS.—Edinburgh and Paris in the Limbo—Alas! alas! pain is sometimes insupportable. Though they may not impair the general health at first, ultimately such must be the result if permitted to continue unchecked. It should be generally known that the curement and pills with which we have to do will not only relieve the sufferer part two or three days from severe pain, and secure ultimate recovery, but also that the pills are so arranged as to be taken in a most convenient manner. A lady writes—"After suffering a martyrdom from severe attack of rheumatism, and obtaining no relief from the faculty, I was induced to try Holzowa's Curement and Pills, which they quickly cured me of." Sold at Professor Holzowa's Establishment, 244, Strand, and sold by all medicine vendors throughout the civilized world.

ATHLETIC GAMES AT CLIFTON COLLEGE.

THURSDAY was quite a gala day among the pupils of Clifton College, it having been set apart for competing, in various athletic games, for numerous prizes. The English design was hoisted on a flagstaff in front of the College, in honour of the occasion, and there was a very large and fashionable gathering to witness the games. Amongst those present we observed the Mayors of Bristol, and many of the leading gentry of Clifton. The stewards of the games were Messrs. Wellesley, Walker, Ashwell, Harrison, ma, and Bruce.

The sports commenced at half-past eleven o'clock with a foot-race of 100 yards, for which there were 12 entries. In the first heat, which was run in 10 seconds, Bruce was first and Webb second; 2nd heat, 11 seconds, Wellesley first, Washburn second. Final heat, Amos, third, first, Wellesley second. Bruce, who ran with great speed, won eleven.

No. 2. Race for Boys under Eleven.—For this race there were fourteen entries, and it resulted as follows:—First heat, Kendall, 1; Wiehe, mi, 24. Second heat, Penny, mi, 1; Young, 2. Final heat, Kendall, 1; Penny, mi, 2.

No. 3. High Jump for Boys under Fifteen.—There were six entries in this match, and the jumping generally was very cleverly executed; the palm, however, was carried off by the two least of the competitors. A little fellow named Atkins, mi, jumped the bar very cleanly, when it was within five inches of his own height. Atkins, mi, and Pelle were equal, each having jumped the bar at the height of 4 ft 2 in.

No. 4. Race for Boys under Thirteen, 300 Yards.—Sixteen entries in this race. First heat, added up to the 200 yards, 2; Fraser, 2; time, fifty seconds. Second heat, Stow, mi, 1; Wiehe, 2; time, forty seconds. Final heat, Atkins, mi, 1; Wiehe, 2; time, forty seconds.

No. 5. Wide Jump, Open to All.—Sixteen entries; won by Dale, who jumped 16 ft. 9 in.

No. 6. Short Race for Boys under 13, 100 yds.—Five entered in this race, and it was won by Stow, in 10 seconds.

No. 7. Throwing the Cricket Ball, 90 yds.—Nine entries—first, Wellesley, who threw the ball 81 yds; second, Bruce, who threw it 79 yds.

No. 8. Short Race for Boys under 16, 100 yds.—Owing to the number of entries in this race it was run in four heats, with the following result:—First heat, Kitson; second heat, Swindell, mi; third heat, Blunt; fourth heat, Kitson, Swindell second. Final heat, High Jump, open to all.—Five entries. Won by Snow, who jumped 4 ft 10 in; Stow, ma, jumped very cleverly, clearing the bar at 4 ft 9 in.

No. 10. Throwing the Cricket Ball; boys under 15.—Nine entries. Won by Gosse, who threw the ball 65 yds.

No. 11. Hop, step, and jump.—Seven entries. Winner, McArthur, mi. Distance, 32 ft 6 in.

No. 12. Stranger's Race, 300 yds. This was a race open to gentlemen not connected with the College, and for which twelve ran. It was won very cleverly by Mr. Horsford, who came in about twelve yards ahead of the remainder, who were in a cluster. Time 39 sec.

No. 13. Steeplechase (open).—This was the most exciting race of the whole, and afforded considerable amusement to the vast concourse of spectators. There were six flights of hurdles, and a dyke had been dug with an embankment four feet high. The width from the top of the embankment of the opposite side was about eight feet, and as the water in the dyke was about three feet deep, this point became the centre of attraction, as it was anticipated—and as the result proved rightly so—that many of the competitors would here "come to grief." Six started, and they all took the hurdles in capital style, but on coming to the ditch, one after the other, received a ducking among its laughters. It was a well contested race, Dale coming in first and Washburn second.

No. 14. Steeplechase for Boys under Sixteen.—This was even more exciting than the preceding race, the competitors being more in number (12) and much younger. They, however, took the hurdles very well, but on coming to the dyke they all went some into the water, from which they emerged beamed with red clay from the water.

No. 15. Mile Race (open).—This was a capital race, and well contested. There were 12 competitors. Bruce took a decided lead at starting, which he maintained throughout, winning cleverly by about 20 yds. Time, 5 min 35 sec.

The programme concluded with jumping in sacks and other amusements.

The prizes, which consisted of cricket bats, leg guards, a burn, &c., were subsequently distributed to the winners by Mrs. Percival, the wife of the Rev. Mr. Percival, head master of the College.

PROLIFIC HENS.

(To the Editor of the Illustrated Sporting News.)
SINCE writing my last note about my chickens laying fifty-two eggs in one week; they have laid since then forty-nine eggs in six days, viz. from Sunday, March 22nd, to Saturday, March 28th, making a total of 101 eggs from the same hen. I must also add that since then one is gone (cluck or waiting to get, so she is cooped up). There is no doubt some of your readers would like to know this. Believe me, most truly,
Woodlands, Southborough, Tunbridge Wells,
March, 1863. CHURCH.

(To the Editor of the Illustrated Sporting News.)
SINCE reading your paper of to-day I notice a letter respecting the laying of fourteen hens. I have seven hens (continued in a pen), and have kept an account of their laying since Christmas. During the last week they have laid as follows:—
Sunday, March 22nd, 1; Monday, 2; Tuesday, 3; Wednesday, 4; Thursday, 5; Friday, 6; Saturday, 7; Sunday, 8; Total, 41.
If you will kindly give this publicity you will greatly oblige,
Trowbridge, March 28th, 1863. Yours respectfully, G. F. M.

NOVEL COOK CHASE.—A fine cock (belonging by Mr. F. Smith) was competed for by the apprentices (headed by Mr. Marshall's parson) and dromed at the Langley Park Mills, in the following novel manner:—The competitors having their hands tied behind their backs (after which the cock was set off in front of them, and the one who first picked the cock up with his mouth and carried it a few yards was to claim the cock as his own property. This was cleverly effected by Mr. Henry Marshall after an exciting chase of about ten minutes.

CRYSTAL PALACE.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.—Easter Monday, and during the week (Sunday excepted), unique and extraordinary Amusements, commencing at half-past twelve: comprising performances by the Band of the Company, Circus Solos by Levy, Military Bands, Chinese Divertissement by a numerous Japanese Corps de Ballet, the Indian Ballet, the Ballet in Character Dances, Mr. Stead, "the Curio," the Irish Melodrama, and the two famous Russian Clowns, Arthur and Bertrand, from the Adelphi Theatre and the Circus Yoculm. Mr. Stead will conduct the amusements. Organ Performances, Mr. James Coward. Admission, each day, One Shilling. Children under Twelve, Half-price. Open at Nine.

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EASTER HOLIDAYS.—By Special Arrangement with the Maison Goddard, the splendid PARISIAN BANNERETS, with the flags, wreaths, festoons, mottoes, and decorations provided for the ROYAL WEDDING FÊTES, will remain on view.—ONE SHILLING.

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PRIZE MEDAL.—INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.—The Jurors have awarded a Prize Medal for "Wotherspoon's Victoria Lozenges," on account of their "Purity and Excellence of Quality," vide *List of Awards*. These popular Sweets are variously flavoured, and sold in Packets at 1d., 2nd., 4d., 6d., and 1s.

PEDESTRIANISM.

MATCHES TO COME.

- 4, 6—All England Handicap, 125 yds, £12 and other money prizes, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
 5—Hurley and Yardley—to run a mile, Hurley giving 5 yds start, £10 a side, Aston Cross Grounds, Leeds.
 6—Hilton and Knight—120 yds, Knight taking £50 to £40, City Grounds, Manchester.
 6, 7—All England Handicap, 105 yds, £20 in money prizes, Queen's Hotel Grounds, Sheffield.
 6—Handicap Race, 125 yds, for £30 in money prizes, Hyde Park.
 6, 7—All England 10 yds Novice Handicap, £12 in money prizes, Hyde Park.
 7—Robertson and Shaw—to run ten miles, £10 a side, Aston Cross, Shaw to have 40 yds start.
 7, 11—Handicap race, 150 yds, several money prizes, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
 8—Hilton and Knight—to run a mile, £10 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
 11—Fernely and Hayden—to run a mile £25 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
 21—Johnson and Mills—to run 100 yds backwards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
 23—Schofield and Whitehead—to run half a mile, £25 a side, Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.
 MAY.
 2, 4—One Mile Handicap, for a Silver Cup, value 30 guineas, and money prizes, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.

METROPOLITAN RACE GROUNDS, HACKNEY WICK.

THE RACE FOR THE CHAMPION CUP BETWEEN LANG AND BRIGHTON—THE MIDDLESEX MAN RETAINS THE CUP.

For some time past it has been well understood that the Milbroy, of Norwich, and William Lang, of Middlesex, had been matched to contend for the handsome ten-mile Champion Cup presented to be run for by Mr. J. C. Baun, the proprietor of the grounds, under certain specified conditions. The length of time the Yorkshireman had held the trophy through various successes induced the belief that he would once more be enabled to retain the prize, so regularly placed in the window facing the running enclosure. The odds of 5 to 4 were freely offered on Lang, but we think there was little response among those present of the speculative species. The race was fixed to take place at five o'clock, and soon after both men appeared on the track—Lang, as if to all intents and purposes, the acknowledged conqueror, being attended by Sam Barker and Jesse Smith; while White, of Gateshead, looked after the party who hailed from the Norwich district.

When the signal for commencement had been given Brighton burst off with a fast lead, and in quick time (never being touched) crossed the first mile in four minutes forty-eight seconds, and, at the same time, 2 1/2 miles, and soon after him, denoting the foregoing conclusion to be eventually arrived at. There was a slight (very slight indeed) alternation in the two laps before the close of the second mile (accomplished with Brighton ahead in nine minutes and fifty-eight seconds), and so the match proceeded at a rather rapid pace until the third mile had been covered. The time kindly noted to us for this distance was exactly fifteen minutes and twenty seconds; and, on its completion, there were loud and unmistakable significant cries of "5 to 2—are there any takers?" At the end of the twenty-seventh lap, the match was varied by somewhat of a spirited sprint, which seemed to give hopes to the spectators that a race might actually be anticipated from this point. The timekeeper mentioned "twenty-eight" as the competitors passed onwards round the downward track, and then the Middlesex youth forced ahead several yards in advance, while Brighton appeared to drop off visibly in speed, and this was the first instance which betokened any change in the species of lameness which he afterwards showed. Still Brighton ran undauntedly as long as circumstances permitted. The fourth mile—timed as twenty minutes forty seconds, and the fifth done in twenty-five minutes fifty-nine seconds—still showed the game Milbroy in the fore; but just before reaching the thirty-eighth lap, he limped noticeably, and the Middlesex man was compelled, thus early in the sixth mile, to resign the contest. The holder of Brighton having expressed himself satisfied, Lang shortly afterwards retired as "the holder of the Cup."

BOW.

RACE BETWEEN HUDSON AND ROBERTS.—These men met on Monday at the Prince of Wales new Running Grounds, Bow, to contend in a spin of one mile, the Middlesex man being offered the betting odds of 6 to 4 on Hudson, and there was a good deal of money speculated. Mr. Kushley was chosen referee, and all being ready the competitors came to the mark. Hudson went away with the lead, which he maintained until some 300 yds of the distance had been covered, when Roberts closed on his opponent, and after wrestling from him the lead he held the rest of the race, and was victorious by the referee for the third and last time. Now Hudson, who had unquestionably the most "steel" left in him, put on a spurt, and, despite the efforts of Roberts, once more, as they neared the goal, obtained the advantage, and after a well-contested struggle to the finish went in a winner by something like ten yards.

MEREDITH AND JAMES.—These men likewise ran half a mile for a small stake on the above ground, which terminated in Meredith, who was allowed ten yards start, winning with ease.

BIRMINGHAM.

ASTON CROSS.—MONDAY.—There was a fair average attendance at these grounds on Monday last, considering that there was only one race fixed for that day, a second match between the veteran Rhodes of Wolverhampton, and young Willets of Oldbury, who, it will be remembered, ran at these grounds on the previous Monday. The present match originated with Rhodes, who, when he was opposed by his man's defeat (even after giving his young opponent 80 yds start in a mile), again throwing down the gauntlet, but this time allowing Willets 10 yds start only, thus both men were on a more equal footing. At four o'clock the men appeared on the ground, and considerable speculation took place at even money: Rhodes for retaining the lead, until the finish of the fourth lap, when the veteran fell on a spurt, and, amidst deafening shouts, caught the young man by a beautiful race now ensued, the men being neck and neck for the next lap. At the commencement of the sixth lap, however, Rhodes had placed a good yard between himself and his opponent, and in this position they continued until the commencement of the eighth, or ninth lap, when Rhodes gradually increased his lead, and ran in a winner by 10 yds. The referee was Mr. C. Coxon, Jolly Butcher, Smithfield, of the Three Horse Shoes, Oldbury, acted as referee.

ROGER HUGHES, a Birmingham novice, is matched against time, to run 10 miles, at Aston Cross Grounds, in one hour and a quarter. To come off on Monday, April 13. £1 a side is down, and a further indication of the needful has to be posted with Mr. R. Caldwell, Waggoner, and Horses, New Town-road, on Saturday, April 11.

T. RAIN and J. ALLEN, both of Birmingham, are matched to walk 4 miles, round Aston Cross Grounds, Monday next, April 6, for £5 a side. Final stakeholder, Mr. J. Coxon, Jolly Butcher, Smithfield.

LEVI HORNBY, of Birmingham, and R. HANDLE, of Colehill.—These well-known runners are matched to run two laps round Aston Cross Grounds, for £5 a side, on Monday next, April 6. £3 a side is now down. Final stakeholder, Mr. Cornforth, Barrel Tavern, Adley-street, Birmingham.

WARNER AND DRAKER.—The match between these men, 120 yds, for £5 a side, is off, Warner forfeiting.

MR. ROBERTS AND H. SHAW.—The whole of the money is down for the mile match between these men, who run on Tuesday next, April 7, at Aston Cross Grounds.

SIMPSON AND POUNTNEY.—These men run five score yds, for £5 a side, on Monday next, April 6, at Aston Cross.

WARING AND JEVONS.—These men also run six score yds, for £5 a side, on Monday next, April 6, at the above grounds.

GRAHAM AND BISHOP.—These Birmingham pedes also run 120 yds, for £5 a side, on Monday next, April 6, at the above grounds.

LUTTRELL, MAX and GURLEY.—This mile match (the race having 40 yds start) is progressing favourably, and a spirited race is anticipated.

POPFLEWELL AND MORDVET.—This half-mile match, for £5 a side (Mordvike having 10 yds start), has taken a fresh step. Final stakeholder, Mr. T. Cooper, Market Hall Tavern, Bell-street, Birmingham.

GURLEY AND WASS.—The mile match between these pedes is going on "all serene." They run at Aston Cross Grounds, on Monday, April 13.

ALICE, GRAHAM, of Birmingham, will walk Holden, of Walsall, three miles round Aston Cross Grounds, for £5 or £10 a side, according to Holden's challenge, in a fortnight after Easter Monday. A match can be made through the medium of the ILLUSTRATED SPORTING NEWS.

CATLIN, late of Lincoln, will take five yds start in 200 yds of Meadows, of Colehill, or will run half a mile; and, of G. Bishop, of Birmingham, can be on at the like distance, for £5 a side. Money ready at Levison's, Corn Exchange Wine Vaults, High-street, Birmingham.

H. SMOLLEY, of Birmingham, will take one minute start in one hour's walk of Young Lowe, of London, or will walk him one mile level, for £10 a side. Money ready at Parry's, Bell Inn, Livery-street.

NEWCASTLE.

VICTORIA RUNNING GROUNDS.—The day being sufficiently favourable for outdoor amusements, these grounds on Saturday last were attended by an exceedingly large number of pedestrian admirers. There were three comparatively interesting matches for decision, the first being between William Rutherford and Joseph Smart, both of Gateshead, to run 120 yds for £10 a side. The race the whole distance was remarkably well contested; the referee declaring the result as a dead heat. The next spin was for a similar stake, distance 200 yds, between David Thompson, of Jarrow, and William Wilson, of Blaydon; the betting very much in favour of the latter, and the race principally in favour of the former. The race was commenced at five o'clock, but as usual there was nearly an hour's delay before the five varieties left inclined to test their respective merits. The start was a capital one, both bolting simultaneously; however, after contesting half the distance, Wilson showed such undeniable signs of superiority that he, without further delay, shot right ahead, and notwithstanding his opponent plied his undauntedly, and notwithstanding the Blaydon representative eventually reaching the terminus an easy winner by 4 yds. The final race, however, was the terminus of the day, the combatants being the celebrated William Bell, of the Felling, and Thomas Lisle, of the same place; distance, once round the grounds (440 yds), for £10 a side. Both competitors rank high in pedestrian circles, principally on account of their successful achievements between David Thompson, of Jarrow, and William Wilson, of Blaydon, has run and defeated some of the best distance runners in England, including Brighton, of Norwich, Banks, of Warwickshire, and E. Mills, of London. His last engagement was with William Park, of Glasgow, in a ten-mile encounter, which took place at Penham Park, on the 11th of October, 1862, the latter receiving 250 yds start. Bell, however, had not the remotest chance, as he was compelled to cry "quits" at the eighth mile, having only gained something like 70 yds in the whole distance—the time occupied in performing the eight miles being 45 min, which was miserably poor, compared with Bell's former race. Lisle is also admitted to be a first-class sprint runner. He has been engaged in several notable contests, and has, with very few exceptions, pulled them through with commendable determination and gameness. The present contest between these tippers has caused a rather unusual amount of interest among the northern district, and we should say, at the time of starting, not less than 800 or 900 persons were assembled within the enclosure. The betting throughout was all in favour of Bell, 7 to 4 and 2 to 1 being offered freely, with only a limited number of investments. Bell himself was so remarkably confident of success that he offered to bet his opponent the gate money that he won; Lisle, however, did not see the force of this liberal proposal, and declined the offer. The race was commenced, Bell having for his mentor Joseph Forster, while J. Honeyman performed the requisite for Lisle. Bell having won the toss chose the inside, starting opposite the stand and running westward. At the sixth attempt they effected a very indifferent start, Bell having fully a yard and a half the better of it, which lead he maintained until rounding the turn, when Lisle spurted with much effect and ultimately succeeded in reaching his antagonist within two feet of the half distance; from this point to the finish, the race was of a most exciting description, scarcely 12 in dividing the combatants at the 400 yds. Ten yards from the goal Lisle drew himself nearly level, 12 ft from the terminus Bell stumbled and affectionately embraced Mother Earth, dead beat. Lisle, following suit, caught his fallen opponent, and threw himself about half a yard over the mark, thus running one of the most determined races ever contested at these grounds, the time occupied in performing the distance, according to our own timing, being barely 58 sec, which was remarkably good considering the men had to run half the distance in the face of a blinding wind. Mr. James Thompson was referee; there was no dissatisfaction about the gentleman's decision. We are sorry to complain of the conduct of the spectators, inasmuch as they started in the above manner, in the manner in which they hummed the runners in was very creditable, and, in our opinion, anything but fair. It would be decidedly better, both for the lookers-on and the competitors, were the public to confine themselves for the future to the space allotted to them on the grounds; this course would obviate all similar unseemly exhibitions.

KIRKCALDY.

FOUR-MILE RACE.—On Saturday afternoon a four-mile race came off at the Cricket Ground, Newton, between Robert Gibson, Kirkcaldy, and Robert Butchart, Edinburgh, for £15 a side. Long before the competitors appeared on the field, upward of 1,400 people had assembled in order to witness the race, a large part of the railway embankment which runs along the edge of the field being swarming with spectators. Butchart got a start of 200 yds. After running three miles, which occurred about 21 minutes, Gibson began to fall behind, and shortly afterwards gave up.

LANGLEY GROVE.

We lately gave the conditions of the One Mile Belt to be run for at this place. The Grove lies about four miles to the north of Durham; it is in quite an isolated district, and situated in a beautiful valley. Langley and Rely are two most extensive paper mills, employing many hundreds of hands. The belt, which is now exhibited in the town of Durham, is a valuable and handsome one, given for the rural district. The belt is made of the finest morocco, edged with blue. In the centre is a round device in silver, bearing the inscription round (the Langley and Rely One Mile Champion's Belt), and on each side the British Coat of Arms, in silver; we need scarcely add the buckle and clasp are of the same; altogether, a very handsome trophy.

The following are the entries:—William Phillips, Henry Marshall, John Old, Robert Butchart, Joseph Hannell, James Snowman, Christopher Wass, John Thubson, Joseph Cartwright, Thomas Forster, John Dickinson, Thomas Drysdale, Ralph Bell, Robert Seed, William Renwick, Samuel Still, William Pattison, William Jackson, John Nichols, John Anderson, Robert Richardson, Thomas Coward, Charles Rutherford. Betting: 3 to 1 agst Henry Marshall, 7 to 1 agst John Phillips, 10 to 1 agst John Old.

MACCLESFIELD.

BOWLING GREEN INN GROUNDS.—About 400 admirers of the art of pedestrianism assembled at these grounds on Saturday last to witness

the running off in the 400 yds handicap by the successful competitors of the previous week. Precisely at half-past three o'clock the bell of G. Chesworth, 29 yds start; G. Pickett, 31; G. Sellars, 33. A most splendid race, Sellars passing the referee first. This was a very exciting race, Deane ultimately winning by 4 yds. Deane did not put in an appearance. Lot 3: F. Hall, 28; W. Holland, 37; W. Oldham, 38. A slashing race, Hall winning by half a yard. The winner's hour's rest having expired, the three successful winners again came to their respective marks for the first heat, and at the second report of the pistol (the first hanging fire) the bells ran off, when a good race was run; the first to reach the goal was Hall, by 1 yd, Barratt second, Sellars third. Very great praise is due to Mr. Watson for the even way the men were handicapped for this race, and the different bouts appeared to give much satisfaction to all parties who had the pleasure of witnessing the pedes contend upon this occasion.

RILEY AND PICKFORD.—The candidates for the championship of Macclesfield met this day (Saturday, April 4th), to run their one mile, for £10 and the cup, now in possession of Riley. Both men are in excellent trim, and are anxious for the race.

MRS ROSS GROUNDS.—Mr. John Skinner will give the sum of £3 15s to be contested for in a 120 yds handicap foot-race, at these grounds, on April 18th and 20th, the prizes to be divided as follows:—First prize, £3; second, 10s; third, 5s. Entrance is cash (no acceptance), to be paid to Mr. Skinner, Ring of Bell Inn, King Edward-street, Macclesfield, on or before April 13. Stamps at cash. Each man winning his heat on the first day's running will be presented with a handsome pair of silk drawers. Any one entering false will be disqualified.

ENTRIES FOR ISAAC WATSON'S 880 yds handicap, which comes off at the Bowling Green Inn Grounds, on April 6 and 7.—First prize, £4; second, 15s; third, 5s.—F. Hall, 30 yds; G. P. Green, 40 yds; G. Day, Prestwich, 50; C. Hershaw, Ashton, 50; C. Riley, 60; J. Barratt, 65; J. May, Stockport, 65; G. Dean, 65; J. Robinson, 70; W. Oldham, 75; G. Hulse, 76; J. Henshaw, 80; J. Robinson, 85; J. Barber, 90; W. Bailey, 90; J. Scanlon, 95; P. Hackett, 95; F. Edwards, 95; T. Cooper (12 years), Stockport, 110. Any one entering false will be disqualified.

HIGGINSBROOK GROUNDS, OLDHAM.

DODGSON AND FAIRBANK.—These men met on Saturday last at these grounds, where about 300 persons were assembled to witness the result of their one mile race, for £25 a side; both men are residents of the town, in the county of York. Mr. Chadwick, the spirited proprietor of the grounds, was the referee. The race being opened at even, and rose to slight odds on Fairbank, a most amount of the needful was invested on the affair. About half-past four both men came within the enclosure in racing gear, and on the second attempt they left the course, Fairbank taking the lead, which he kept until 600 yds from home, when Dodgson passed him, and after a short time in an easy winner—Fairbank giving up a long distance from home.

COPENHAGEN GROUNDS, MANCHESTER.

SANDERSON AND STAPLETON.—Another deposit, making £45 a side, has been paid to Mr. Holden for the match between James Sanderson, of Whiteford, and P. Stapleton, of Stalybridge, to run one mile, for £100 a side, at these grounds, on Monday, May 4. Mr. Holden to be referee.

BURKE AND ALDROFT.—Mr. Burke, of Salford, and J. Aldroft, of Manchester, are matched to run 880 yds, here, for £15 a side, on Saturday, May 2. Mr. Hayes to be stakeholder and referee.

BURKE AND CULMER.—Mr. Hardy now has £10 a side for the match between Mr. Burke of Salford, and F. Culmer, of Leeds, to run 880 yds, here, for £25 a side, on Saturday, May 9. Mr. Hardy to be referee.

BUCKLEY AND BOOTH.—On Saturday last these grounds were well attended by the patrons of "pedestrianism," it having been announced that there would be a spin of 120 yds between John Booth, now host of the Kings Arms, Newton Heath, and J. Buckley, of Tonge Lane, both of whom have previously performed with varied success in the pedestrian arena—Buckley's last performance being his easy defeat of Booth, on Saturday, March 29, when he won by 100 yds. The arrangement to day was for £25 a side, which was duly deposited with Mr. George Hardy, of Manchester, who also acted as referee. About five o'clock in the afternoon both men entered the arena, there having been a great amount of the "circulating medium" invested on the affair, the betting finishing at 3 to 1 on Buckley. After cutting half an hour away from the time there was twenty-eight false starts, Mr. Hardy deputed his brother-in-law to fire the pistol, when a bad start was effected, Booth getting a deal the best off, when, however, an excellent race ensued; Buckley just getting up in the last stride, when Mr. Hardy decided it was a dead heat; consequently, both men agreed to run again to-day (Saturday) at the same grounds, at four o'clock, when, of course, another clipping race may be expected.

CITY GROUNDS, MANCHESTER.

HILTON AND KNIGHT.—Mr. Holden now has £51 on account of a match between A. Hilton, of Bycroft, and Joseph Knight, of Lidd Moss, to run 120 yds, at these grounds, on Easter Monday, April 6th, Knight staking £50 to Hilton's £40. Mr. Holden is also to be referee.

MILLS AND JOHNSON.—E. Mills, of Rochdale, and T. Johnson, of Manchester, are matched to run 100 yds backwards, for £25 a side, at these grounds, on Saturday, April 11th. Mr. Holden is appointed stakeholder and referee, and he now has £15 a side.

GREAT CHAMPION SWEETSTAKES.—There will be a champion's sweepstakes of £10 each, with £25 added by the proprietor, at these grounds, on Saturday and Monday, April 25th and 27th; distance 300 yds. Mr. Holden, of Manchester, will be stakeholder and referee, and he now has £8 each from the following "clippers":—W. Wilcock, of Manchester; G. Mole, of Walsall; G. Biddow, of London; J. Nevins, of Stockton; and J. Nuttall, of Manchester.

GREAT ONE MILE SWEETSTAKES.—WHITE, MOWER, and BRIGHTON.—Mr. Campling, of Norwich, now has £10 each for a sweepstakes of £25 each, distance one mile, between Charles Mower, of Dereham, on Saturday, April 11th, and J. White, of Norwich, on Monday, April 13th. The winner to take place here on Saturday, May 2nd. The winner to take the £75 and all the gate-money. Mr. Holden to be referee.

NOTICE TO PARTIES MAKING MATCHES.—In future all parties contesting in any match at the City Grounds, Manchester, will receive their equal share of all monies for admission on the Grand Stand, in addition to their share of the gate-money.

BRADLOCK AND BARLOW.—Wm. Bradlock, of Stockport, and Arthur Barlow, of Gorton, are now signed runners to run 440 yds at these grounds, on April 25th, for £10 a side. Mr. Wright's £100 stake, now has £1 a side, to be made into £5 a side on April 11th. The men to be on the mark at five o'clock.

SHADE INN, AUDENSHAW.

SATURDAY, March 28.—About 400 persons were present here this afternoon to witness the deciding heats of the Dog Handicap, 250 yds, for £10, in money prizes, given by Mr. Warren, the proprietor, and the following was the result:—First, Buckley's Salt Bat Fly's Rose by 5 yds, Hodson's Shadow beat Howard's Rose by 20 yds, Sharpe's Violet walked over, Roberts' Batterly beat Riley's Vic by 6 yds, Stott's Bouncer beat Schofield's Vengeance by half a yard, Dale's Venture beat Greenwood's Peter by 6 yds, Beaver's Spring beat Chestham's Vic by 2 yds. Second ties: Shadow beat Salt by 10 yds, Violet beat Dale's Venture by 3 yds. Third ties: Shadow beat Spring by 9 yds, Bouncer 4 yds behind Spring.

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